

Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council

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# FORWARD PLAN OF EXECUTIVE AND COUNCIL DECISIONS

OCTOBER 2011 – JANUARY 2012

Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council Council Offices, Argents Mead Hinckley, LE10 1BZ

# **HINCKLEY & BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **INFORMATION ABOUT THE FORWARD PLAN**

### WHAT IS THE FORWARD PLAN?

The Forward Plan contains decisions which are due to be taken by Council, Executive or under delegated powers to individual Executive members or senior officers. Each plan covers a four month period and is updated monthly. The plan includes all decisions to be taken both "key decisions" (definition opposite) and non-key decisions.

# WHAT INFORMATION IS CONTAINED IN THE FORWARD PLAN?

The Forward Plan details:

- The nature of the decision to be made and whether it is a key decision (definition opposite);
- The committee or individual who will take the decision;
- The date or period when the decision is to be taken;
- The stages which will be undertaken prior to the decision, both consultation and presentation to committees;
- The documents which will be presented to the decision maker(s);
- The author of the report.

You can view copies of the current Forward Plan on our web site (www.hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk) or alternatively at:

# The Main Reception, Council Offices, Argents Mead, Hinckley

# WHAT IS A KEY DECISION?

A key decision is an Executive decision which:

- involves expenditure (of reduction of income) of over £20,000 on any particular scheme/project;
- adopts a policy or strategy (which the Executive has the power to adopt);
- involves the adoption or amendment of the Scale of Fees and Charges;
- is one that affects the whole of the Borough and is one which the residents of Hinckley & Bosworth would normally expect to be notified or consulted; or
- involves a recommendation by the Executive to a Partnership organisation which will take the ultimate decision.

Decisions by the regulatory committees (ie Planning, Regulatory, Licensing and Standards) and Personnel Committee are never key decisions.

A copy of this Forward Plan can be downloaded from our website (www.hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk) or can be obtained by telephoning 01455 255879, sending a fax to 01455 635692 or emailing democraticsupport@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk

# **RESPONSIBILITY FOR DECISIONS**

Part 3 of the Council's Constitution sets out which committee/individual has responsibility for taking decisions.

# FORWARD PLAN OF EXECUTIVE AND COUNCIL DECISIONS

# 1 OCTOBER 2011 TO 31 JANUARY 2012

# OCTOBER 2011

Details of Decision to be taken	Portfolio/ Service	Decision Maker and Date(s)	Reporting Pathway and Date(s)	Consultees and Consultation	Documents to be submitted
(* denotes key decision)				Process	(Report Author)
Changes to Parish & Community Initiative Fund	Business, Contract and Street Scene Services	Executive 12 October 2011		Parish Councils, Borough Councillors & VAHB	Committee report (Caroline Roffey)
Improvements at Brodick Road open space	Business, Contract and Street Scene Services	Executive 12 October 2011		Residents Feb 2011	Committee Report (Caroline Roffey)
Refresh of Carbon Management Plan 2011-14	Environmental Health	Executive 12 October 2011		Internal and external	Committee report (Rob Parkinson)
Council Housing Tenancy Conditions Review	Housing	Executive 12 October 2011	Scrutiny Commission	Consultation with tenants	Committee Report (Sharon Stacey)
Broadband	Planning	Executive 12 October 2011			Committee Report (Judith Sturley)
EMDA Town Centre Regional Support Completion	Planning	Executive 12 October 2011			Committee Report (Claire Peters)
Enterprise Zone and Regional Growth Fund re MIRA	Planning	Executive 12 October 2011			Committee Report (Judith Sturley)
Green Wedge Review	Planning	Executive 12 October 2011			Committee Report (Sally Smith)

Open Space, Sport & Recreational Facilities Study	Planning	Executive 12 October 2011		Committee Report (Sally Smith)
Regent Street	Planning	Executive 12 October 2011		Committee Report (Duncan Elliott)
Scrutiny Annual Report	Corporate Services	Council 25 October 2011		Annual Report
Protocol for section 106 contributions, including affordable housing	Planning	Council 25 October 2011		Committee Report (Valerie Bunting)

# NOVEMBER 2011

No decisions to be taken

# DECEMBER 2011

Details of Decision to be taken (* denotes key decision)	Portfolio/ Service	Decision Maker and Date(s)	Reporting Pathway and Date(s)	Consultees and Consultation Process	Documents to be submitted (Report Author)
Environmental Health General Enforcement Policy 2011	Environmental Heath	Executive 7 December 2011		Internal and external	Committee report (Rob Parkinson)
Argents Mead	Planning	Executive 7 December 2011			Committee Report (Duncan Elliott)
Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report	Planning	Executive 7 December 2011			Committee Report (Sally Smith)

Charities Act 2006 Policy	Environmental Heath	Executive 7 December 2011	Executive	Licensing Committee Internal and external	Committee report (Mark Brymer)
Value for Money Report	Street Scene	Executive 7 December 2011			Committee report (Mike Brymer)
Fees – Legislation coming out in October 2011	Planning	Council 20 December 2011	Executive		Committee Report (Cathy Horton)

# **JANUARY 2012**

Details of Decision to be taken (* denotes key decision)	Portfolio/ Service	Decision Maker and Date(s)	Reporting Pathway and Date(s)	Consultees and Consultation Process	Documents to be submitted (Report Author)

# To Be Programmed

HRA Subsidy Reform	Housing / Finance	Executive	Scrutiny Commission	Committee Report (Sharon Stacey)
Tenant Consultation Feedback	Housing	Executive	Scrutiny Commission	Committee Report (Sharon Stacey)
Leicestershire Waste Partnership Strategy	Business, Contracts & Streetscene			Committee Report & Strategy ( <i>Michael Brymer</i> )

	Services				
Discounted open market sale properties	Planning				Committee Report (Valerie Bunting)
Earl Shilton & Barwell AAP	Planning	Exec April/May 2012			
Argents Mead	Planning	Council June 2012	Executive		
Introduction of full cost recovery for Licensing	Environmental Health	July 2012			
Environmental Health Com mercial Services - Enforcement Service Delivery Plan 2012/2013	Environmental Heath	Executive June 2013	Executive	Internal	Committee report Steve Merry
Constitution – review SoD (EH)					
Resident Involvement Strategy	Housing	ТВС			Committee Report

### DETAILS OF COUNCIL DECISION MAKERS

The table below details the Council's Service Areas and the Executive Member responsible for each with the Council Official responsible for service management.

AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY / SERVICE AREA	EXECUTIVE MEMBERS AND CHIEF OFFICERS	HEAD OF SERVICE CONTACT DETAILS
Strategic Leadership	Councillor SL Bray (Leader)	Tel: 01455 255606 Fax: 01455 890229
	Mr S Atkinson (Chief Executive)	Email: steve.atkinson@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk
Community Direction (including Housing,	Councillor D Bill (Deputy Leader) (Community Safety)	Tel: 01455 255676 Fax: 01455 890229
Community Safety, Partnerships,	Councillor SL Bray (Leader) (Planning)	Email: bill.cullen@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk
Environmental Health, Planning & Cultural	Councillor DS Cope (Housing & Environmental Health)	
Services)	Councillor MT Mullaney (Culture, Leisure, Parks &	
	open spaces)	
	Mr B Cullen (Deputy Chief Executive, Community	
	Direction)	
Corporate Direction (including Corporate	Councillor KWP Lynch (Finance, ICT & Asset	Tel: 01455 255607 Fax: 01455 251172
& Customer Resources, Scrutiny, Ethical	Management)	Email: sanjiv.kohli@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk
Standards, Finance, ICT, Estates & Asset	Councillor Ms BM Witherford (Corporate Services,	
Management)	Equalities)	
	Mr S Kohli (Deputy Chief Executive, Corporate	
	Direction)	
Business, contract & Streetscene	Councillor SL Bray (Leader) (Car Parks)	Tel: 01455 255852 Fax: 01455 234590
Services (including Refuse Collection,	Councillor DS Cope (Housing Repairs)	Email: michael.brymer@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk
Street Cleansing, Car Park Management,	Councillor WJ Crooks (Refuse and Recycling, Street	
Housing repairs, Neighbourhood Wardens)	Cleansing)	
	Councillor MT Mullaney (Green Spaces, Grounds	
	Maintenance)	
	Mr M Brymer (Head of Service)	
Rural Issues (across all portfolios and	Councillor WJ Crooks	Tel: 01455 255676 Fax: 01455 890229
including Village Centres)	Mr B Cullen (Deputy Chief Executive, Community	Email: bill.cullen@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk
	Direction)	

Further clarification and representations about any item included in the Forward Plan can be made to the appropriate Executive Member and Head of Service either using the contact details above or in writing to: Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council, Council Offices, Argents Mead, Hinckley, Leicestershire, LE10 1BZ. Representations should be made before noon on the working day before the date on which the decision is to be taken.

### **DECISION MAKING ARRANGEMENTS**

The views of local people are at the heart of decision making at Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council, because major decisions are made by Councillors who are elected every four years by local people. Councillors work with the communities that they represent to ensure that local priorities are reflected in the work that the Council does.

The Council is made up of 34 Councillors representing 16 wards. If you want to know which Councillor(s) represents your area or you would like to contact your Councillor(s) concerning an issue, you will find contact details on our website (www.hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk) or alternatively you can contact the Council on 01455 238141.

The Council is committed to the principle of open government and everyone is welcome to attend meetings (except for confidential business) and to receive details of non-confidential items. Below are further details of the Council's democratic decision making arrangements.

#### The Council

The Council is responsible for setting the budget and the policy framework. Each year there is an Annual Meeting, which selects the Mayor and Deputy Mayor (who are the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council) and decides the membership of the Scrutiny Commission and Regulatory Committees. There are six ordinary meetings of the Council per year, which make strategic, policy and major budget decisions. This Forward Plan details decisions to be taken by the Council over the next four months.

#### **Executive Functions**

Many day to day policy and operational decisions are taken by Executive, a group of seven Councillors comprising of the Leader, Deputy Leader and five Executive Members each responsible for an area of Council policy and activity. The Executive members and their responsibilities are detailed in the previous table.

#### **Overview and Scrutiny Functions**

Decisions of the Executive are subject to scrutiny by the Scrutiny Commission and the Finance, Audit & Performance Committee. The Scrutiny Commission and Finance, Audit & Performance Committee also have a role in Policy development. In addition, Scrutiny Panels are established to oversee ad-hoc projects. The Scrutiny Commission publishes an Annual Report and a Work Programme; this is available on the Council's website and from the Council on request.

#### **Regulatory Functions**

In addition the Council has established committees to deal with regulatory issues, these committees are Planning Committee, Licensing Committee, Regulatory Committee and the Standards Committee.

Further information about the Council's Decision Making Arrangements can be obtained from Democratic Services on 01455 255879.